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claim 61, wherein the deleted material is in brackets and the riceroniinserted material is underlined, is attached hereto as

Exhibit A:

--61. (3x Amended) A method of inhibiting HIV-1 infection of a CD4+ cell which comprises contacting the CD4+ cell with a nonpeptidyl agent capable of binding to a CCR5 chemokine receptor in an amount and under conditions such that fusion of HIV-1 or an HIV-1 infected cell to the CD4+ cell is inhibited, so as to thereby inhibit HIV-1 infection of the CD4+ cell.--

--Cancel claim 65 without prejudice.--

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claim 61 is the sole claim pending in the subject application. Applicants have herein above canceled claim 65 without prejudice or disclaimer to their right to pursue the subject matter of this claim in a later-filed application. Applicants have also herein above amended claim 61 by including therein the subject matter of claim 65. Support for the amendment to claim 61 may be found, inter alia, in the specification on page 23, lines 32-33 as well as in original claim 41. Accordingly, the amendment to claim 61 involves no issue of new matter and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph
Claims 61 and 65 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first